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Dear Reader:

This Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) on the proposed *Cave Gulch-Bullfrog-Waltman Natural Gas Development Project* is submitted for your review and comment. As a supplement to the draft FEIS, published in February 1997, this volume contains a revised *Executive Summary*; corrected and new material in an *Addendum and Errata* section; an expanded *Consultation and Coordination* section to include the comment letters received on the draft FEIS and BLM's responses to those comments, and added *Appendix*.

Because this is an abbreviated final, this document and the draft FEIS, with all of its attendant technical reports and resource studies, comprise the entire document for filing purposes and for the decision making process. Please refer to the draft for more detailed analysis and description of the proposed action and alternatives.

Written comments will be considered in the decision if they are received within 30 days of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Federal Register publication of the Notice of Availability of the *Cave Gulch-Bullfrog-Waltman Natural Gas Development Project FEIS*. The anticipated publication date is June 20, 1997. Copies of the FEIS may be obtained upon request from the Bureau of Land Management, Casper District Office. The technical reports and other supporting materials are available for inspection also at the Casper District Office.

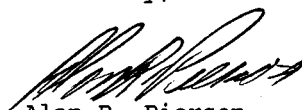
This FEIS is not the decision document. The decision on the proposed natural gas infill development and associated rights-of-way will be based upon the analysis in the draft and final EISs, public concerns and comments, and other multiple-use resource objectives or programs that apply to the project. A Record of Decision (ROD) detailing the decision of the BLM and its rationale for the decision will be prepared and distributed following the end of the 30-day review period. Presently the ROD is anticipated to be available for release August 4, 1997.

Comments on the content of this FEIS should be sent to:

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The BLM appreciates the individuals, organizations, Federal, State, and local Governments who participated in the environmental analysis process. Your involvement has enhanced the integrity of the EIS and the public land manager's ability to make an informed decision.

Sincerely,


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State Director

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